

**ABSTRACT OF THE DISCLOSURE**

A faucet includes a valve tube journalled within a faucet body, and a discharge spout connected fixedly to an open end of the tube. A discharge end of the spout can be pushed  
5 upwardly to turn the spout from a discharging position, where an opening in the tube comes into alignment with a water inlet in the faucet body so that a maximum amount of water can flow downwardly from the discharge end, to a non-discharging position, where the opening is not  
10 fluidly communicated with the water inlet so as to stop flow of water from the discharge end. Because there is still water flowing from the discharge end when the spout is rotated from the discharging position to the non-discharging position, contamination of the user's  
15 hands due to contact with the discharge end after washing can be prevented.